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CARACAS AND LIMA FOR SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

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SUBJECT: SECVISIT LA: BUENOS AIRES SCHEDULE

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1. DURING ALMOST HOUR- LONG MEETING MORNING MAY 14 WITH BENITO LLAMBI

HE ASSURED ME THAT IF SECRETARY WERE TO STAY OVER MAY 26 CAMPORA WOULD RECEIVE HIM ON MAY 26. APPARENTLY THEY PREFER THAT CAMPORA IN HIS CAPACITY AS PRESIDENT RATHER THAN AS PRESIDENT- ELECT RECEIVE SECRETARY ROGERS. IF SECRETARY DOES NOT STAY OVER MAY 26, A MEETING ON THE AFTERNOON OF MAY 24 WITH CAMPORA AS PRESIDENT- ELECT WILL , LLAMBI ASSERTS, BE ARRANGED.

2. LLAMBI STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF MAKING A GESTURE TOWARD PERON IN ORDER FOR HIM TO REALIZE THAT, AS FAR AS THE U. S. IS CONCERNED, BYGONES ARE BYGONES. HE INSISTED ON THE DESIRABILITY OF AN INVITATION FROM PRESIDENT NIXON TO PERON TO VISIT THE UNITED STATES, MAKING THE POINT THAT SUCH A VISIT WOULD MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR PERON TO CRITICIZE THE U. S. I POINTED OUT THAT NO CHIEF OF STATE SO FAR HAD INVITED PERON TO VISIT AND THAT I WAS ATTEMPTING TO ARRANGE FOR AN AMERICAN UNIVERSITY TO INVITE PERON
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TO DELIVER A LECTURE (BY LETTER TO ASST. SECY RICHARDSON IN MAY 14
POUCH). HE THEN ASKED WOULD PERON IN THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES BE
INVITED TO THE WHITE HOUSE TO TALK WITH PRESIDENT NIXON. HE POINTED
OUT THAT PERON, THOUGH NOT ELECTED, IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE
JUSTICIALISTA PARTY WHICH GIVES HIM AN ELEVATED OFFICIAL STATUS.
I INDICATED THAT THIS WAS A MATTER WHICH COULD BE EASILY CONSIDERED
AT THE TIME. I POINTED OUT THAT A GOOD BEGINNING WAS BEING MADE IN
THE ATTENDANCE AT DR. CAMPORA' S INAUGURATION OF SECRETARY OF STATE
ROGERS. I REFERRED TO THE NEWSPAPER STORIES THAT PRESIDENT NIXON
MIGHT VISIT SOUTH AMERICA. I INDICATED THAT IF HE DID VISIT BUENOS
AIRES APPROPRIATE CONVERSATIONS COULD BE ARRANGED. I SAID THAT AN
INVITATION FROM PRESIDENT NIXON TO PERON AT THIS JUNCTURE WOULD
BE PRECIPITATE.
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